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Report of Czechia

Summary**

Czechia has continued to standardize both names within the territory of Czechia and names outside the territory. Already standardized names are updated and the updated list of names of countries is maintained on the website of the Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre (http://www.cuzk.cz). Names within the territory of Czechia are maintained with an array of attributes in the national database of geographical names, called Geonames, which was established in 1997. All terminology data have gradually been centralized under the responsibility of one office. Non-standardized official names, especially names of settlements, are kept in the national database, which is administered by the Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre. The interconnection of these systems as well as with other systems that register geographical names, such as cadastral maps, will be ready during the coming five years.

The Czech Commission on Geographical Names has helped to place the short version, Czechia, for the name of the Czech Republic in United Nations databases, especially the United Nations Terminology Reference System (UNTERM) and the geographical names database of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names. The short version of the name has been included in the databases since 6 July 2016. The name Czechia was added to ISO 3166, the international standard for country codes.

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